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## Bengal-Orissa Field

Area: about 12,000 square miles

Population: nearly 4,000,000

## Work of F. B. W. M. S.

Missionaries Supported, 8

Balasore, Miss E. E. Barnes, Miss Sadie B. Gowen, Miss Amorette Porter. Midnapore, Miss L. C. Coombs, Mrs. Ida M. Holder, Miss Ruth Daniels. Santipore, Miss

Ella M. Butts, Mary W. Bachelor, M. D.. Native Work and Workers: Sinclair Orphanage, Widows' Home, Kindergarten, Girls' Day Schools, Hindu Schools, Colporter, Zenana Teachers, Bible Women and Bible Women Helpers, Medical Work.

**FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

"I continually marvel at the splendid accomplishment of this year. Only by God's blessing and direction could our work thus prosper." So wrote our Treasurer, and her words are a fitting introduction to this Annual Report number. The largest sum total of contributions, the largest Thank Offering, Maine more than ever exceeding her apportionment, the best Annual Meeting, etc.—all these indicate not only consecrated and efficient officers, but preeminently a band of devoted, loyal workers in city, town and country, whose faith and works must win. Michigan's President, Mrs. Stone, writes that Mrs. Stout, Western Field Agent, is "hard at work among our auxiliaries" and adds, "How easy it will be when all shall have learned the joy of service!" The President of the Maine F. B. W. M. S., Mrs. L. V. Jordan, and Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, represented Free Baptist women at the meeting of Baptist women, in connection with the state association at Waterville, and they sent a messenger with sisterly greetings to our meeting. A social tea, followed by speeches, was given in the Congregational vestry for the women of both conventions. Mrs. Penny, our Maine Treasurer, was happy over the financial report she was able to present at our business session. New subscribers were obtained for the HELPER. . . . Passing over the rather sentimental introduction, we heartily commend to our readers the editorial of Dr. Wilson, in *Zion's Advocate* of October 6th, on the organization of the United Baptist Convention of Maine, for its sweet spirit, breadth of view and sound common sense. . . . We are hoping great things from the October HELPER Campaign. Do not fail to carry out the suggested program in part, if you cannot wholly; later, if you could not in October. That "Rally Song" is good for any time of year. The Saco, Me., auxiliary was the first to have the HELPER meeting. It was pronounced a great success. From Auburn, Me., came the first call for the premium of picture post cards of scenes in our India Field; from Hillsdale, Mich., the first contribution to the Illustration Fund. A Rhode Island worker wrote, "What a lovely HELPER program that is! I want to see it carried out right away!" A generous contribution from the South was accompanied by this heart-warming expression, "I am very glad to add the editor's name to my list for prayer. It gives me a feeling that I *share* in the world's betterment by interceding in prayer. How wonderful that to His weak creatures such power is intrusted!" . . . A New Hampshire friend writes, "To miss Annual Meeting

was a keen disappointment, but the blessed HELPER has kept me alive. No other periodical can fill its place. None of them is so bright and sweet and dear as *ours*." From Florida comes this word about our magazine, "It gains in power yearly." . . . Our beloved missionaries, Miss Coombs and Miss Barnes, are happily looking forward to India. The former has been receiving parting calls at the home of her relatives in Portland, Me., expects to attend the Massachusetts W. M. S. Rally in Boston, October 20, go to Hillsdale, Michigan, to join Miss Barnes, and the sailing is to be November 2d, from Seattle, on the Japanese Steamship, "Tamba Maru." It will be our privilege to *pray for them all the way*. . . . Mrs. Metcalf writes, "Miss Benedict and I had a delightful five weeks at Chautauqua. I took the three courses in Nature Study, while she took English. I shall enjoy teaching Botany at Storer more than ever after such a course." . . . It does not need to be said, but for Miss Fenner's comfort we say, the resolution about herself, on another page, was introduced without her consent or knowledge by the other members of the committee. . . . One by one, dear comrades are leaving us. We do not cease to miss Mrs. Cousins—her winsome presence, friendly letters, generous help; and now, Mrs. Hattie K. Jordan has slipped away. For many years she was a member of the Board of Managers of the F. B. W. M. S., always closely identified with its work, and an active and influential member of the Woman's Educational Bureau at Ocean Park. We cannot speak of her college and benevolent associations, but in the very wide range of her thoughtfulness in *little things* she was unique. . . . The Hill's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, Dover, N. H., has a beautiful calendar, in blue and gold, and a very attractive program for the new year. Among things worth imitating, we note that each chapter of the study book "will be presented in an interesting and novel way." A HELPER Quiz will be conducted at each meeting. In October a reception is given to the women of the parish. . . . Many interesting notes are crowded out of this annual report number. Delightful articles, letters and illustrations are in preparation for our December HELPER. . . . Do not forget that Mrs. Chapman has appropriate leaflets to accompany each chapter of "The King's Highway." There are all sorts of good things in her "Bureau." Send for them!

# Helps for Monthly Meetings

"Working, praying, giving, come to their fullness only through intelligence. Read and study until you become a world citizen though you live in a hamlet."

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## Topics for 1915-16

September—	Opening Meeting and Quiz Social.
October—	Along Old Mission Trails.
November—	Storer College.
December—	Beginnings in India.
January—	Social Christianity in India and Burma.
February—	Prayer and Praise.
March—	A Nation at School (China).
April—	Korea's United Church.
May—	Thank Offering.
June—	Japan's Response to the Gospel.
July—	Missionary Field Day.

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DECEMBER.—Beginnings in India.

"Today the thinking men of India have already come to realize that the depressed condition of Indian women must be changed if the national aspirations of India are ever to be realized, and a new eagerness for the education of girls is already apparent. . . . This change of sentiment creates one of the greatest opportunities before the Christian Church."

## SUGGESTIVE PROGRAM

HYMN.—"As With Gladness Men of Old." (Missionary Hymnal, page 49.)

SCRIPTURE READING.—Luke 2:8-20.

PRAYER.—

SINGING.—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

QUIZ.—On the Annual Report. (See December HELPER.)

THE LESSON.—Chapter II, "The King's Highway," Beginnings in India.

HELPS.—A map of India. The lettered chart of India's Ideals and India's Problems as suggested on page 12 of "How To Use." Picture post cards of scenes in our India Field. Mount the picture post card of "Brown Babies at Sinclair Orphanage" on a large white cardboard and print beneath the picture:—"Some one has adopted these Brownies. Why not share the luxury?"

1. Difficulties to be Faced (pp. 50-57). (Six women summarize the hindrances and problems, each taking one.)

2. A Monologue. Hinduism's Blackest Stain (pp. 57-59). One woman tells this story as a personal testimony.
3. The Story of Two German Pioneers (pp. 80-81).
4. Testimony of a Traveler (page 62). Given as personal observations.
5. Indian Mass Movements (pp. 63-70). Presented by several women, each taking one point in the outline.
6. Education of Women (pp. 70-76). Presented by several women.
7. Medical Missions (pp. 76-84). Presented by one woman who is, or assumes to be, a doctor.
8. Our Own Beginnings in India. Different members tell, each in a very few words:
  - a. Origin of our Mission. (See Missionary Reminiscences, Chap. 1).
  - b. First Permanent Station (Chap. 2).
  - c. The thrilling story of an accession to the Boarding School (pp. 91-95).
  - d. Entrance to the first Hindu Zenana (page 300)
  - e. The first Mohammedan Zenana, "A little child shall lead them" (page 309).

SINGING.—"Coming, Coming, Yes, They Are." (Missionary Hymnal, page 102.)

BENEDICTION.—(Hymnal, page 44.)

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### CONTRACT

OF THE FREE BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY WITH THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF FREE BAPTISTS AND THE AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

NOTE.—In the interest of a better understanding of the relationship in work of the F. B. W. M. S. and the A. B. F. M. S., it seems wise to publish in full the "Contract" between the two parties. Certified copies of various documents are before the editor. The first is an "Agreement," under date of September 26, 1911, between the General Conference of Free Baptists (the party of the first part) and the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (the party of the second part). One clause of this Agreement reads thus:—"Second, to assume the obligations heretofore resting upon the said party of the first part under the terms of a certain contract or agreement between the party of the first part and the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, a copy of which contract is also hereto annexed and marked Schedule C." The agreement in which



the foregoing clause appears is signed by Joseph W. Mauck, President, and Arthur Given, Treasurer, of the General Conference of Free Baptists, and Charles W. Perkins, Treasurer of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

The following contract—referred to as “Schedule C”—is given in full, including the latest amendments. These amendments, incorporated in the text of the contract, were signed by an authorized committee of the F. B. W. M. S.—Mary A. W. Bachelder, Laura A DeMeritte, Francis Stewart Mosher—and the President and Treasurer of General Conference. The agreement in its entirety was accepted by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in the clause already quoted. The contract is as follows:—

WHEREAS, the Free Baptist Woman’s Missionary Society, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine, hereinafter called the Party of the first part, and the General Conference of Free Baptists, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine, hereinafter called the Party of the second part, have been carrying on separate missionary work in India, and it has been deemed advisable, as both are working in the interests of the same denomination and for the same end, that the work of both be united and hereafter managed and controlled by the said Party of the second part;

Therefore, said parties, each in consideration of the agreements and promises of the other, and for other good and sufficient considerations, hereby mutually agree as follows, to wit:

The said Party of the first part agrees to pay quarterly to the Treasurer of the said Party of the second part all money received from any and every source for the current work in India, including income from invested funds heretofore or hereafter given to said Party of the first part for such work, and any funds designated by said Party of the first part for India.

Said Party of the first part further agrees that said Party of the second part shall have free of rent the use of all the property and buildings in India belonging to said Party of the first part; provided that said buildings shall be kept in thorough repair and shall be used in the future as in the past for the purposes for which they were designed, namely:

Sinclair Orphanage, for girls and single women missionaries; Caroline A. Bradbury Kindergarten Hall, for Kindergarten school and training of Kindergarten teachers; Dorcas Smith Widows’ Home, for widows;

Henderson Home, at Midnapore, a home for single women missionaries, Brown Dispensary, for use of a woman medical missionary if practicable.

Said party of the first part will appoint annually a standing committee consisting of two in India and one in America who shall see that said property is kept in repair and used for the purposes above stated.

And said Party of the first part further agrees that said Party of the second part shall have control of all its work in India, formerly carried on by said Party of the first part, and that it will continue its present plan of operating through auxiliaries in the State Association's yearly meetings, quarterly meetings and Churches, and endeavor to improve and extend the same. That it will continue to publish in its discretion the MISSIONARY HELPER, a monthly paper now published by said Party of the first part, and it shall be open to the presentation of the missionary interests of the denomination.

And said Party of the second part hereby agrees to take control of all the work in India formerly carried on by the Party of the first part, and to become financially responsible for all work hereafter carried on in said India.

That the India Committee shall consist of all Missionaries in the field who have been there in service for one year, supported by both of the parties hereto; that the Treasurer of the India Committee shall keep an itemized list of the children in the Sinclair Orphanage, Zenana Teachers, Bible Women, Widows and Schools supported by the said Party of the first part, with the names of persons and societies supporting them; the same to be wholly revised as often as once in three years. That whenever said list is revised, a copy shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Party of the first part so that she can make or change assignments to auxiliaries and individuals of those unsupported.

That the auxiliaries of said Party of the first part and individuals may continue all special work that has been assigned them by said Party of the first part, such as the support of missionaries, children in Sinclair Orphanage, widows in Widows' Home, Zenana Teachers, Bible Women and Schools, or any special work that may hereafter be assigned them by agreement of the parties hereto.

That the said Party of the first part may at any time communicate suggestions to the said Party of the second part, or its Conference Board relative to the work in India, to which contributions are made through the treasury of the said Party of the first part.

And said Party of the second part further agrees that at least one-third of the Conference Board, so-called, of the Party of the second part shall be women as at present provided in its By-Laws.

And said Parties mutually agree that any changes in or modifications of this contract which may be desired by either party hereto shall be submitted to the Executive Board of the respective parties and be ratified by them before they shall become binding upon either.

In witness whereof the said Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society has caused these presents to be signed in duplicate by Mary A. Davis, its President, and Laura A DeMeritte, its Treasurer, thereto duly authorized, and its corporate seal attached, and the said General Conference of Free Baptists has caused these presents to be signed in duplicate by Lindley M. Webb, its President, and Arthur Given, its Treasurer, thereto duly authorized, and its corporate seal attached, this twentieth day of December, A. D. 1906.

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### NOTES

On October 7, 1915, was organized the United Baptist Convention of Maine, at Waterville, without a dissenting vote. The Maine Baptist Convention, with its affiliated societies, and the Maine Free Baptist Association are joined in one. Hon. Carl E. Milliken of Island Falls, Maine, is President.

On October 5 and 6, 1915, the Baptists and Free Baptists of New Hampshire held joint sessions in Concord, and took action which will bring them into a single body soon.

Rev. Thomas S. Barbour, D. D., former Foreign Secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, died suddenly in Stoddard, New Hampshire, September 26, 1915. His funeral was September 29th, in Fall River, Mass.

Rev. J. H. Oxrieder and family are at Saranac Lake, New York, whither he has been sent because of tuberculosis. He has gained fourteen pounds and a half in weight, and expects full recovery.

Rev. G. H. Hamlen, D. D., and family have made their home in Lewiston, Maine. Two sons have entered Bates College.

The attendance at Bates College is the largest in its history. Nearly 170 are enrolled in the Freshman Class.

A. W. A.



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## RESOLUTIONS

In view of the completion of fifty years of devoted, untiring, optimistic foreign mission service given by our dear sister and seer, Mrs. Burkholder, be it

*Resolved*, That we express our appreciation and recognition of the same in these words of loving greeting, assurance of our tender fellowship and our praises to Jehovah who has by His blessing made this splendid record possible.

*Resolved*, That we recognize with gratitude the goodness of our Heavenly Father in watching over our dear sister, Miss Fenner, in her tour around the world, and in bringing her back so well equipped to give us in this country an enlarged view of our mission field and its needs, as well as to awake in us a desire to do better work for our sisters across the seas.

We are aware of, and return thanks for, the splendid work she did with our missionaries and Indian workers while on the foreign field, and we recognize the inestimable value of the letters and leaflets that she wrote.

We heartily commend her to our churches and are sure that wherever she presents our work in India she will receive a glad welcome.

Inasmuch as our MISSIONARY HELPER is the chief medium of presenting to our churches the facts and needs of our Home and Foreign missionary work,

*Resolved*, That we continue to urge our people to increased diligence in promoting the circulation of this valuable magazine.

In appreciation of the good that has come to our lives and the gold that has come to our treasury, in the past twenty-five years, from the counting of our blessings at the Thank Offering season,

*Resolved*, That we recognize and recommend the institution of the Thank Offering as one of our valuable means of growth and grace and urge its observance by every auxiliary and church.

Inasmuch as bereavement, terror and disaster have come to the people of many lands because of war, when women and children hunger and death triumphs,

*Resolved*, That we call upon our people to be much in prayer, that through these calamities many shall come to know God and lay hold of a personal Saviour as never before. And we ask that each be alert to teach

children and proclaim to all, ideals of peace, lessons of the power of prayer and incentives to love like the love of God, which respects no persons and discards no people.

WHEREAS, the gradual coming together of our Baptist and Free Baptist peoples in Christian work is a cause for gratitude, and

WHEREAS, diversities in modes of organization and differences in relationships of the General and Woman's Boards have seemed to hinder a quick union of our F. B. W. M. S. with the missionary organization of Baptist women, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we assure all Baptist and Free Baptist women that we are united in love and in effort for the world's redemption; that, at the same time, we call upon women of our own churches, whether now called Baptist or Free Baptist, to be loyal in the support of the definite Home and Foreign Mission Work of the F. B. W. M. S., the work that still depends upon them.

That we earnestly ask all to be patient, prayerful and hopeful while time is being taken for the perfect sharing of our precious work with the Baptist Woman's Missionary Societies and the intelligent entering into definite responsibilities in sharing with them their larger and splendid fields.

Respectfully submitted,

LENA S. FENNER,

M. S. WATERMAN,

LIBBIE C. GRIFFIN,

Committee on Resolutions.

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### REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

The year at Storer College seems to have been full of joy and progress. The need of the Domestic Science Building is voiced by nearly all of the teachers. President McDonald presents here a need even more urgent. There is every reason to believe our people will be glad to supply both such worthy additions of equipment to our splendid home mission school.

President McDonald says:—"It is not difficult to measure the going of the months; it is difficult to measure the growth of character. We are apt to count things, rather than the riches of spiritual growth.

The past year found us with a most earnest student body. I have

never had less friction within the student ranks and fewer cases of discipline. The quality of our student body has steadily risen as the courses of study offered have been raised. Each year we are sending more students to higher grade institutions. The past year marked the largest number of our graduates in such schools during any single year of our history. And, after all, what the colored people very much need is an increasing number of leaders, who have more nearly approached the great body of liberalizing knowledge and have caught the inspiration for themselves and others which must follow from such contact. We need to remember that the development of life is quite as important as the getting of loaves and fishes.

We had hoped that by this time the proposed Domestic Science Building would have been a reality. But funds have not come to us in sufficient amount to proceed with the building. We are not discouraged and hope that this pressing need may be met in the very near future.

There is one immediate need for which I wish to make an urgent appeal to the Woman's Missionary Society. Our trustees have voted to proceed with the erection, at the first possible moment, of a tank and tower to increase our present water supply by about 50,000 gallons, to meet any untoward need—and especially in case of fire. Our present pneumatic system only allows for a supply of 4000 gallons, when at its maximum. This amount of water in case of a fire of any consequence is exceedingly small. Then, too, we want to be able to have a reserve supply on hand should there be need—as there has been—to adjust or mend some part of the system or engine. In such cases we sometimes are compelled to wait a few days for the thing needed. We are soon out of water and the resulting sanitary conditions are a serious problem. We wish, also, to increase our source of supply. We should then need a pump and power for that supply. To safely cover it all, I believe that we shall need about three thousand dollars—half of which is already in hand. I make this appeal to you the more confidently, remembering the unwavering faith of the Woman's Missionary Society in this work—a faith that has constantly reaffirmed itself in helpful deeds. We shall hope that you will renew your appropriations to Storér, with the happy thought that such investment is bringing large returns in well directed and ennobled young life.

Each year we have appeals from needy and worthy students for aid. I much wish that we might have scholarships, the income from which



might be used at the discretion of the school in aiding those who should be aided. Are there not those who would feel it a privilege to found such scholarships and find satisfaction in the thought that your endowment is being translated each year into character and life?

We desire to express our appreciation of the opportunity to co-labor with you in helping to solve some of the knotty questions of life for those who especially need sympathetic direction."

Mrs. McDonald of the Academic Department writes: "It is with an ever-increasing sense of gratitude that I send greetings to the Woman's Missionary Society—gratitude for their continued interest and for the sense of solid support I feel whenever I think of those loyal women, Seven and (some days) eight recitations a day fell to my lot this year, while as member of the Library Committee considerable time was spent rearranging books and collecting magazines for binding. Through the generosity of a friend we are able to bind an almost complete file of the *HELPERS*, besides many volumes of other magazines. Perhaps you would be interested to know that we are making a *Free Baptist* Alcove in the library and would be glad to receive additions to make our collection as complete as possible.

Our students have done creditably this year. In the declamatory contest with Morgan College, Baltimore, we won first honors. And in our triangular debate with two of the leading Negro schools in West Virginia, we won a first. In music, through the efficient training of Miss Nason, most satisfactory progress has been made. The cantata, "*Saul*," which formed the closing event of Commencement Week, was a most enjoyable affair. It showed a high artistic sense in an interpretation of difficult music. The victrola, a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Anthony, has been a very real factor in developing a musical sense among our students.

Through Commencement Week, in declamation and oration, ran a strong plea for peace. That was a cause for rejoicing for I believe that it is through ideals cherished in individual hearts that the ideals of a nation may be established."

Miss Ella V. Smith, beside serving as matron of the girls' boarding home, Myrtle Hall, is also teacher in the school. She takes us with her through her day of activities:—

"The school year just ended was a busy one for all, but we are happy in the consciousness that we are being lifted by our work and that we are drawing others up with us.

You will be interested, I am sure, to go with me through one day at Storer. Let us begin early that we may lose none of the events of the day. The rising bell rings at six and the warning bell a few minutes later. When this rings I go down to see that every thing is in order for breakfast. At seven the breakfast bell rings, and a few minutes later we are all standing around the tables repeating the Lord's Prayer. This morning we have cereal and milk, followed by fresh fish, fried or creamed potatoes, southern corn bread, and tea or coffee.

After breakfast we will stop in the dish pantry where the dish-washers are ready to begin their work. If we find the dishes properly stacked for washing, plenty of water for washing and rinsing, and a good supply of fresh towels, we will pass on to the kitchen to give directions for lunch. Here we find the lunch waitresses working out their loaves and rolls. The rolls will be served hot at noon. This bread has been made up and set to rise the night before by two girls from either the senior, junior or sophomore class, according to the time of year. We hold a little conference with the cook, decide what is to be served for lunch and watch the girls prepare it: Now we will look after the milk, see that nothing is left to go to waste in the store room, and then look after the girls who are on duty for cleaning halls, reading room and bath-rooms.

It is now eight o'clock, and the girls who have finished their morning duties and those whose work comes later in the day, should be studying in their rooms. Let us visit some of them, as it is time to inspect rooms. Most of the girls are glad to see us, for their rooms are in good order and they are hoping for a word of commendation from the visitor. There are a few rooms, however, to be unfavorably criticised, and their occupants must be taken to task for neglect of duty.

Nine o'clock. It is time to go to chapel. You will, perhaps, be asked to make a speech. At ten I will take you into my English class. We have been studying grammar, but now we are reading Scott's "Lady of the Lake." Parsing and analysis and rhetorical figures seem so much easier when taken in connection with that beautiful story. When this class is dismissed we return to Myrtle Hall and visit the sick girls, if there be any, or correct papers. At twelve the girls come trooping in and the lunch bell rings. After lunch we go through about the same routine that we followed in the morning.

In the afternoon we have three classes. The first is a class in book-keeping. In the next class, Physiology or Physical Geography, we

meet the same young people that we met in the English class in the morning, but in the Preparatory English we meet a different set.

It will interest you to stand in the hall and watch the pupils pass. How happy they all appear as they troop out to the campus where they will spend the next hour in the various sports so dear to the student's heart. At five the dinner bell rings. Then the after dinner work, a few moments of rest or recreation, and the seven o'clock study bell, which means three hours of solid work for the Superintendent, if not for the pupil. One more bell, at ten, to warn that the day's work is over, and now, weary in body and mind, we make our rounds to be sure each girl is in her room, and then seek our own rest to gain courage for a new day."

Mrs. Celeste Bracket Newcomer, domestic science teacher in the culinary arts, says that the year has been somewhat less satisfactory than usual owing to the large classes in small available space for class-room. In the cooking laboratory, with room and equipment for ten, she has been obliged to conduct classes of twenty. This has made conditions trying and progress slow.

For lack of a dining room for demonstration purposes—the only possible place being a recitation room on the upper floor that "means a great deal of inconvenience and hard work to clean, fit, and decorate"—the annual cooking demonstrations of the classes have been carried out in the form of picnics held elsewhere. In describing these, Mrs. Newcomer says:

"Rain came near ruining the third year occasion, but a happy thought of the teachers who roomed in the Lockwood, Miss Benedict and Miss Church, saved the day. They invited the girls to bring the picnic and their guests, members of the faculty and boys of the class, to the Lockwood House. The great hall and porches proved a fine place for games, and with the hospitality offered—chairs and rugs from the teachers' rooms—all were comfortably seated for the picnic supper which was delicious, and was served from neatly packed boxes, with a great deal of fun and badinage. So *that* picnic was a jolly success in spite of continuous rain.

The Junior picnic was planned for the next week. Much of the cooking was done by the class the day before. When the morning came, the school was shocked by the news of the death of the mother of an honor student of the Junior class, wife of a Storer alumnus and herself a former student. For Pauline's classmates to have a picnic that day



could not be thought of. When the class met at the usual hour the question was discussed, and a very practical expression of sympathy and affection was decided upon. The final cooking was done, boxes were packed, just as planned, and the whole supper, including ham, stuffed eggs, biscuits, cakes and pies, was carried by a committee of the girls to Pauline's home. They also carried a note, explaining that they had no heart for a picnic when their fellow-student was in so great trouble, and that, appreciating the burdens that were so suddenly fallen upon her as eldest of a large family, with the father unable to reach home until the next day, and the many relatives and friends who loved her mother sure to gather at her home, they were glad they could send these things which they hoped would make the next few days just a little easier. The note was signed by all the girls and the teacher."

Miss Elisabeth Sims, teacher of needle work and arts and crafts, has had an especially delightful year in class work and makes her report with "real pleasure." She says, "We started in last September with a great deal of enthusiasm. It was my happy task to see that stimulus was furnished for the continuance of this zeal through the year. That we succeeded and that real advancement has been made is recognized by both teacher and pupil. More and better work has been done.

Beside accomplishing the *regular* class work, most of the girls have done extra work, such as remodeling their dresses, crocheting and embroidering for themselves, and more, the making of table cloths, dish towels and curtains for the clubs.

Not only the graduates made their own Commencement dresses, but a number from the undergraduate classes did the same.

Other years only the senior class has taken the extras of this department, such as cord, reed and raffia work, but this year the Juniors have been allowed to take up these lines, to their great joy.

New machines were added this year to our equipment and were greatly appreciated. But oh, we have been so crowded, scarcely room to breathe and no place for our supplies. If only our Domestic Science Building would materialize, our classes could do so much better work, under happier circumstances. And what benefits our students at Storer reaches out through our southland, and on to the West Indies, South America and Africa."

And now we turn to our work across the waters, in the Bengal-Orissa Field of India. It lies just between our Assam and Telegu Baptist Fields,

so we have good neighbors. It is a short run—75 to 200 miles—south of Calcutta. Its shores are washed by the western waves of the Bay of Bengal, whence come the breezes that help temper our heated season. But I must forego my personal word lest a double number of the HELPER be necessitated. Only I hope you will *try* to let these reports speak as vividly to you as they do to me. It has been a year full of interest, we will let the missionaries tell it. How we do rejoice in our three new young women helpers.

*Midnapore.*—Mrs. Julia P. Burkholder. Zenana teachers, 8; pupils, 114; Hindu schools, 5; teachers, 7; pupils, 154; Bible women, 2; Santal Jungle S. S.; Boys' C. E. 2.

"The past year has been one of great hinderances in our work in the Bazaar. Early in March, cholera and small-pox began their ravages, not only in this city but in all the surrounding country. For seven weeks all the schools in the town were closed on account of this scourge. Again and again our teachers have come in close contact with those stricken. In one of the Zenanas, the poor woman sat weeping. Her home had been made desolate by the loss of four children. From another home nine had been taken. The unsanitary condition of the houses, their surroundings and filthy drains in the bazaars and lanes are simply appalling. The wonder is that more do not die. What has been, must be, hence what can we do seems to be the attitude of the people. Not one of our teachers has been stricken. There were five mild cases of small-pox in the Christian community, but none were fatal. Our Father's hand has been over us. Since the middle of June, all our work has been carried on as usual.

The number of pupils taught in the homes is 114, of whom 62 are Mohammedans and 52 are Hindus. In the schools we have 154 pupils. Of these 3 are Mohammedans and 151 are Hindus. The Government now has two girls' schools; one for Mohammedans and one for Hindus. Each one employs an omnibus to carry the girls to and from school. This naturally tends to lessen the number of girls in our smaller schools. Government is doing much more now than formerly to improve the schools. As far as possible only trained teachers are employed. The kindergarten system, with its gifts, charts and various helps, is being introduced into the primary schools.

My black sateen bag well supplied with tracts, gospels and S. S. pictures always accompanies me on my way, as I visit the Zenanas and schools. It seldom returns home without having scattered some of the

precious seed in the homes of the shut-ins. Frequently while driving through the streets, or traveling by rail, the blessed word has been sold or given away. Have we not the promise that "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that which I please." Dear Friends in the home land, pray that the word scattered may bring forth much fruit.

Besides our teachers in schools and Zenanas, we send out two elderly women as Bible readers. Do not imagine that Zenanas and schools occupy all our time. Our Christian community needs much help. We have a goodly number of large and small boys whom we are trying to influence in the right direction. Pray for them. They are the hope of the future. One of Sachi babus' daughters has charge of the Girls' C. E. and is doing good work. The little Santal S. S. which Miss Coombs started long ago is still alive. There is hope of fruit from this.

Now will you bear with me while I tell you again of work and workers whom I wish very much that you should become acquainted with?

Kalamatia is a small village some thirty miles from Midnapore. It is located in the farming district. Years ago a school was opened and taught there by two of our Christian women. In this school was a boy belonging to the weaver's caste. When he reached young manhood he became a Christian. Before being baptized he gave his bride elect the choice of joining him as a Christian or returning to her Hindu home. She was true to her engagement and, before a host of their heathen friends, she chose to follow her husband although it meant being out-casted and forsaken by her own relatives. They were married and then baptized the same day by Dr. Murphy. In speaking of the event Dr. Murphy said: "I baptized the bride because she was Seba's wife, rather than because she was a believer." I never shall forget the prayer she offered that evening after they walked more than a mile to a Christian home for shelter. She talked to the Lord "as though He was by her side." Her faith was simple and child-like. It was not long before Seba's father and mother were baptized and others followed. For several years he was preacher and school-teacher in his own village, receiving a small stipend from the Mission. He had his ups and downs and then his conscience troubled him because he was paid for his work. A voice seemed to tell him to give up all Mission support and work independently, looking to the Lord to supply his needs. Nearly two years ago he gave up his salary and tried first a little shop and then took to raising vegetables for the market. Since then a happier man it would be difficult

to find. He says that while he received help from the Mission he could not make ends meet, but now he has an abundance. Not only that but his friends and neighbors who kept aloof from him before now are very friendly. His wife is a jewel, quiet, modest, but true. Now that I have introduced Seba to you, listen while I tell you some of the things he has done and what he aims to do. He is a man of great faith in prayer. He is very modest, admits that he has very little education, but is courageous to meet people in high station, saying that the Lord's hand is over him, guiding and directing. He is instant in season and out of season to tell the good news to everyone that he can reach. The head teacher in the school, a devout Hindu, was stricken with small-pox and he sent for Seba and begged him to stay by him day and night. [Read this story in the August HELPER.] Seba is often called upon for help by his Hindu neighbors when in trouble. By faith, prayer and untiring effort he has succeeded in building a good school house. The number of pupils has reached 72. His aim now is to build a second house with a dormitory to accommodate many from a distance who wish to attend school. When asked if he had a S. S. he said, "Yes, we have S. S. every day."

Seba's aim is to have the work in Kalamatia thoroughly and wholly self-supporting. It is wonderful what an influence this simple minded, poorly educated man has over his neighbors, far and near, rich and poor, low and high. Seba has great faith that they are to have a large church and the Lord is to be glorified. May his vision materialize. The half has never been told."

Ida M. Holder, Midnapore, new missionary engaged in language study:—

"Before this reaches you a year will have passed since we left home for India. It has been one of the shortest and happiest years of my life and I believe that the ones that are to follow will be happier still.

When we had been here about two and a half months we began to feel as if we must have something to do aside from studying. I went one Sunday with Dr. Kennan to his English service at the Book-room. Near the door where I sat a group of little Hindu girls gathered. They were wearing the usual abundance of nose, ear, and toe rings and not much of anything else. They kept edging closer to me until one slipped her little hand into mine and I resolved then that they should be my girls. The next Sunday I took them off to the corner of the compound and sat down under a tree with them. I wanted to be far away from other folks

so they could not hear my mistakes in Bengali. I could only ask their names, where they lived, how many brothers and sisters they had, etc., but we were getting acquainted. The next Sunday I had learned a Bible story by heart, in their language, and told it to them. Miss Daniels took the boys and I the girls to opposite corners of the compound. The first song that we began on was "Jesus Loves Me." Now they know several that they love to sing.

After a month had passed, one Sunday a little girl came, saying her mother wanted to see me. That was the chance I was waiting for; to get into the homes. The next Sunday I was invited to a home where the mother and baby were sick with the small pox. I asked to be excused for two or three weeks and in the mean time they both died. Now I visit that home with several others on Sundays. It is not so hard to tell the story now. After my class under the tree I take my Bible picture and go and visit the women in the homes. The little girls go with me and after the women have asked all the personal questions they can think of and examined my clothing, the little girls and I sing the songs and I tell them the Gospel story.

Today I was taken to a new home of a wealthy Hindu who has three sons in Calcutta studying for University degrees. His daughter, a beautiful, bright girl of thirteen, has been taken out of school because she is too old to go and must be married soon. That shows how much chance a girl has in this country even in a good family.

Do I enjoy this work? I have never enjoyed any work so much. There is a wonderful peace and joy that comes from telling the Gospel story.

Of course our chief work is studying the language. My teacher comes at seven in the morning and I read and recite for two hours, and most of the remainder of the day is spent in study until five o'clock. Then I go out amongst the Christian homes and visit the people, learn their habits, thoughts, joys, sorrows and needs and, incidentally to them, but primarily to me, I have a chance for Bengali conversation.

I must put Baby Doris's report in here too, for she is doing Missionary work as surely as anyone, and is learning the language much more naturally and easily than either Miss Daniels or I. She will be two years old in October. When we want to draw a crowd we just take Doris along and the people come in crowds. She draws them by her smiles and



chatter, and by her appearance is teaching them lessons in cleanliness, dressing, hygiene and behavior.

Having been born in this land and hearing about it all my life, I did not expect to be much surprised by anything when I came a year ago; but although I had a good idea of the spiritual darkness, I had never dreamed of the physical and mental conditions that we see every where. But I feel that India is slowly but surely awakening and we shall win in the end, if we "faint not."

Miss Ruth Daniels, Midnapore, first year in India, engaged in language study.

"The time since I came last November has been spent chiefly in learning the language. Besides that one other small task has been the charge of the lace work which is done by the women here in a small room of our house. This work was given me during Mrs. Ager's absence. The chief object of the work seems to be to provide an industry for some women who need employment. It is barely self-supporting, receives some help from the government, but none from the mission.

The chief other thing to say is that I have begun to know the people. When I realize that the things I see every day no longer look strange to me I know that it means it will be harder to write letters to friends about India, but I also know it means that I'm becoming more of an Indian. I feel very much at home at a native dinner, or sitting down in the native home of some Christian or Hindu for a visit. Mrs. Holder and I have become acquainted in a number of Hindu homes and we visit in some quite regularly. Telling the Bible stories to the women there and to the boys and girls of our Hindu S. S. is the nearest to mission work we have come, but it is good enough to make us long for more.

*Santipore.*—Miss Ella M. Butts. Girls' School, teachers, 4; pupils, 20; Boys' School, teachers, 3; pupils, 25; kindergarten, teachers, 4; pupils, 50; Bible women, 3.

It is a pleasure to think of Miss Butts as not alone at Santipore. This year Dr. Mary is with her, sharing the same bungalow. Miss Butts is the true type of New England woman,—“energetic, up early and late, full of work.”

Her particular work is the schools, in which she frequently—when a teacher is lacking—teaches herself. But in general she has oversight of the welfare of the station work and of the Christian community—and this is enough to fill her time brimming full. Her heart is big and Santipore

is poor, and the tax on her sympathy and purse is always large. This year of famine the strain is more than usually hard to bear, and the problems are peculiarly hard to solve.

Miss Butts has charge of the C. E. Society and teaches in the Sunday School. Through the week she instructs the school teachers' Bible class.

Each year all teachers and Bible women of our entire mission are required to take a course in Bible study. There is a stiff examination at the end, with prizes for those who pass. Mrs. Burkholder has prepared the text book, an adaptation of Hurlburt's Bible Studies. At Santipore Miss Butts teaches this course to the school teachers and Dr. Mary to the Zenana teachers.

Santipore, though a small place, has annually one of the largest events in our mission—the Mela or Christian Festival. It was more than usually successful this year, attracting several thousand people.

Dr. Mary W. Bacheler, Santipore. Zenana teachers, 6; pupils, 40; evangelistic and medical work.

"I have visited the Zenana work with the teachers, held numerous meetings in the markets, where much literature is sold, and been out, in response to invitations, many evenings to Hindu schools and villages with the magic lantern. By the latter method the Hindus get the whole Gospel story—connected and applied—as they would not in the market, and the women as they could not in any other way. We get close to the life of the heathen people by thus going into their homes, and in eating with them—as we are frequently invited to do at the close; caste lines are weakened.

Each day at nine o'clock I have morning prayers with the boys and men of the workshop. We are reading the Gospel of Matthew. I make use of my lap harmonium, and by its aid we learn hymns which the boys enjoy. Three mornings a week I have the Zenana teachers' Bible class.

During Sunday School time I have a class of Hindu children. They are very interesting. Last Sunday was so rainy I thought no one would come. But quite late a Hindu village pundit came bringing seven of his pupils. They were nice, dear, intelligent children. I showed them pictures and told them stories. This is one of the times when we are glad to have mounted Sunday School lesson pictures.

Sunday afternoons I have the children too small to go to church.

Just now we are getting up a concert with 'pieces' and song, and the children all want a 'part'!

There are few days without some sick coming in or sending for medicine.

I see many more things to be done as time and strength will permit."

*Balasore*.—Miss Sadie B. Gowen. Kindergarten, teachers, 6; pupils, 100; Girls' School, teachers, 4; pupils, 60; Hindu Schools, teachers, 3; Zenana teachers, 14; pupils, 145.

Mornings Miss Gowen is busy in her schools, directing, suggesting, supervising. The new girls' school house has not yet materialized, but the latest word says, "Plans have been at last accepted and government is now considering the estimates."

In the afternoons, mounting her wheel, Miss Gowen speeds off as independent, yes, and as happy, as a bird, to her Zenanas. Speaking of one of these trips she says, "Yesterday, I went to such an interesting Mohammedan house, the best one I have ever seen. I was taken up stairs to a regular harem; there were ten women, some young and pretty, others old, but all of high type and very well to do. After the regular lessons I asked about the Bible teaching. The teacher told me the pupils here refused to be instructed in the Bible. But I was there, I might never again have this opportunity, so without giving a chance for refusal I plunged right into the Gospel story. I was there for two hours. They listened with intelligent interest, asking questions and talking among themselves about what I said. Several of them have been to Mecca and know their Koran well. If they never again hear they have at least this once had the way of Salvation made plain before them. When I got home it seemed to me I was never more tired, but I was glad."

As an out-growth of the Permit Ghat Hindu School, a Sunday School has been formed. The children eagerly wanted it. Miss Gowen, giving up her Christian Sunday School to Miss Porter, attends this herself, wheeling several miles to do so. "Santa, a Hindu girl of 14, the brightest and oldest pupil in this school, was married in June. She was the leader among the children. It was she who gathered them for Sunday School and had everything ready. Although still in her mother's home, Santa cannot now go outside her home. But what do you think! Her mother has invited us to have Sunday School in her house, bringing all the children there. Last Sunday there were 59! This is a high caste, well to do, highly respected Hindu home. Santa is going to her mother-



in-law soon, but her own mother says that she will bring her home Sundays for Sunday School and then send her back. Great credit is due the two Christian women sisters, who are teachers in this Permit Ghat School. The whole neighborhood in the vicinity of the school is affected by their teaching and influence. Pray for them and for the Sunday School, won't you?"

An industrial class has been started in the girls' school for backward pupils. They are making crochet laces, drawn work, solid embroidery and thread buttons. About twenty are now in the class—half from the orphanage and half from the village—doing really very good work.

Miss Amy B. Coe, Balasore. Sinclair Boarding House, 84 girls; Widows' Home, 10; babies, 6; Hindu Schools, 3.

Jellasure.—Bible Women, 2; Zenana Women, 3.

The splendid addition of a new pucca dormitory to the Boarding Home equipment, gives the girls the most comfortable housing they have ever had, and renders the Superintendent's task in caring for them much more satisfactory and joyous. And the extra room is needed right now when famine conditions are on and a larger number of children than usual are coming into the home. Twelve new ones have been received this year. Only one wee baby has been lost by death, and one old woman in the Widows' Home, neither was in the institution but a few weeks. Five of our girls have been married, and seven have joined the church by baptism. One of our girls, Ollie, has been sent to the Berhampur Hospital for training.

Miss Coe comes home on furlough in the spring, and into this last year of her first period of service she is trying to put the very most of permanent value for her girls.

Miss Amy Porter, Balasore, a first year missionary, busy with the language.

Miss Porter is associated with Miss Coe and Miss Gowen, and is learning from them of the school and the orphanage work and getting acquainted with their large constituency of children.

With the gradual acquisition of the language, she says, "Oh, I am so happy to be pretty nearly a piece of the world again,—to be understanding at last what is being said around me!" She finds many ways to be helpful, and not the least—as appreciated from the home end—in letter writing, a necessary connecting link between the work of the homeland and the field.

LENA SWEET FENNER, Corresponding Secretary.

*Providence, R. I.*

## REPORT OF HOME SECRETARIES

Mrs. Adelaide B. Webber for New England

As we review the work of our loyal women, our hearts are filled with praises to our Father who has led us all the way.

The receipts from the silver anniversary of our Thank Offering in N. E., were \$1,132.48, a gain of \$189.30. The gain in total receipts, including bequests, is \$911.07.

We are grateful for the returning health of Miss L. C. Coombs and Miss E. E. Barnes; also, for the safe return of Miss L. S. Fenner from her tour in India.

The study book, "The Child in the Midst," has been widely used. It has given to us a new vision; not only of the needs of the children in foreign countries, but also, of the needs of our own children in the Junior Societies.

Forty-seven shares are taken in the salary of the Children's Missionary, Miss Barnes.

There has been a falling off of HELPER subscribers in New England, although Massachusetts has a gain of 29, and Rhode Island and Connecticut a slight gain. This should stimulate us to vigorous, concerted effort in the October Campaign. We need the HELPER and it needs us. The "Win One" plan would double its readers—*try it*. [Since this report was written, there have been good results in the right direction.—EDITOR.]

Reports from some of the states are incomplete, though the blanks were sent out in April. We give items of interest from auxiliaries that have been heard from. Similar work is being done in many places in New England, but it has not been officially reported.

*Maine.*—The New Era Auxiliary, Pittsfield, combines a Social Circle, Literary Society, Church Aid and Missionary Society. Six of the meetings are for mission study. The members have heart and hand out to help needy ones in their own town, as well as in foreign lands.

Lewiston has made a gain of 43 members. Several names were secured from the Philathea Class.

Houlton Auxiliary had six new members at its first meeting and sent out 100 invitations for its first thank offering.

There is a new auxiliary at South Gorham. Maine also reports one box sent to the Children's Aid Society, one to Harper's Ferry, one to Stockton Springs, and five to Sinclair Orphanage.

Mrs. Alma M. Cousins was the efficient president of the State Society from 1899 to 1909. To her efforts is due, in a large measure, its continuous success. In the midst of life's activities, "she was called home." "She will be remembered by what she hath done."

*New Hampshire.*—Five of the Quarterly Meetings or Associations have reported. An auxiliary at South Berwick has been reorganized. The Dover Hills Home and Foreign Missionary Society has an all day's sewing meeting in March, in memory of Mother Hills. The flag of the Nations was given to a large audience in the church. The members are resourceful and enthusiastic workers. It was the Dover ladies who served the dainty lunch at Annual Meeting. Somersworth and Dover sent barrels to India that were packed by Mr. Seamons. New Hampton and Wentworth sent boxes.

*Massachusetts.*—Four of the auxiliaries report new members. An all day State Rally is planned for the early autumn. Somerville has sent boxes to Harper's Ferry, West Va., also, to Etta Costello and Florence Doe, India. Brockton has sent two barrels to needy stations; Chelmsford, one barrel to India.

*Vermont.*—The auxiliaries and individuals show their interest in Miss Amy Porter by contributions toward her salary. The new auxiliary at Waterbury Center is full of enthusiasm, despite limited conditions that mean self denial. The Secretary said, "I enjoy the HELPER very much and wish more would read it. It stimulates us to renewed efforts." Miss L. S. Fenner is expected to attend the State Meeting and visit some of the churches.

*Rhode Island.*—This State has had the help of Miss Fenner's letters to give color and life to our Bengal Field.

Two hundred dollars above last year's appropriation was voted on Miss Gowen's salary. The India box for her school work was filled with useful supplies. "The Child in the Midst" has been used and many interesting programs have been given.

*Maine.*—President, Mrs. Linda V. Jordan, Ocean Park; Rec. Secretary, Miss H. T. Milliken, 57 Western Avenue, Augusta; Cor. Secretary, Miss Ella M. Greenleaf, North Berwick; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora E. Penney, 7 Summer St., Augusta; Auditor, Mrs. Gertrude L. Anthony, Lewiston; Supt. of Cradle Roll, Mrs. Estelle Prilay, Pittsfield; Supt. of Junior Work, Mrs. A. B. Hyde, 82 Essex St., Bangor; Agent for MISSIONARY HELPER, Miss Gertrude Hartley, 15 Shepley St., Portland; number of

auxiliaries, 42; shares in Miss Barnes' salary, 20; HELPERS, 647; Thank Offering, \$495.43; bequest of Mrs. J. C. Marshall, \$532.50; bequest of Mrs. N. P. Kilborn, \$150.00; total receipts, \$3,082.08.

*New Hampshire.*—President, Mrs. Maud West Kenyon, Richmond St., Dover; Rec. Sec., Miss Ella Hurd, Manchester; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Celia Grant, Gonic; Treasurer, Mrs. Norah Hoyt, Pittsfield; Supt. of Cradle Roll, Miss Myrtle Pound, Dover; Agent for MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. Henry Chase; number of auxiliaries, 26; shares in Miss Barnes' salary, 7; HELPERS, 440; Thank Offering, \$302.35; bequest of Mrs. E. N. Howe, \$1,000; total receipts, \$2,485.91.

*Massachusetts.*—President, Mrs. Frances S. Mosher, 107 Howland St., Boston; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Hook, 12 Wilson St., Lynn; Corresponding Secretary, Miss May Malvern, 73 Bartholomew St., Peabody; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary A. Caverly, 399 Broadway, Lynn; Agent for MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. Horace Hayes, 20 Elm Hill Park, Boston; number of Auxiliaries, 6; new members, 32; members, 167; shares in Miss Barnes' salary, 13; HELPERS, 209; Thank Offering \$128.42; total receipts, \$416.23.

*Vermont.*—President, Miss Hattie L. Parker, Waterbury Center; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Barrett, South Strafford; Cradle Roll Secretary, Mrs. Bertha L. Pease, Montpelier, R. D. No. 2; MISSIONARY HELPER Agent, Mrs. F. H. Perkins, North Tunbridge; shares in Miss Barnes' salary, 3; HELPERS, 43; Thank Offering, \$5.00; total receipts, \$195.38.

*Rhode Island.*—President, Mrs. Ella E. Stanton, 20 Hammond St., Providence; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. Gertrude Deckard, 15 Wales St., Arlington; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lena S. Fenner, 127 Cranston St., Providence; Acting Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lydia Francis, 28 Lawrence Avenue, Arlington; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida F. Ricker, 32 Warren St., Providence; Agent MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. E. H. Roberts, Greenville; Superintendent of Children's Work, Miss Bertha Barney, 69 Waterman Avenue, Eden Park; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Mrs. L. E. Swain, 166 Whittier Avenue, Providence. Number of churches, 31; auxiliaries, 11; members, 179; Children's Societies, 4; members, 150; Cradle Rolls, 10; members, 183; shares in Miss Barnes salary, 4; HELPERS, 248; Connecticut, 7; Thank Offering, which includes Conn., \$201.18; total receipts, Rhode Island and Connecticut, \$997.78.

All letters, packages, or inquiries relative to Sunshine work should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, 39 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Summary :—HELPERS taken in New England, 1594; Thank Offering, \$1,132.48; Total Receipts, \$7,177.38.

ADELAIDE B. WEBBER, Secretary.

*Somersworth, N. H.*

**Mrs. Elizabeth Moody Evans for Western and Southern States**

The record for the year! How write it! When only "the Books of God" may reveal all we have done—all we have longed to do!

Reports have been slow in reaching the Secretary, not all are at hand as yet—but here is Minnesota, saying:—

This year has seen a little advance all along the line. We have a gain of 14 members and 2 new Auxiliaries. With an increased apportionment—\$800.00, and a per capita of \$5.64, 142 Minnesota F. B. women demonstrated that "Faith and Works" *do* "Win" by paying an apportionment \$863.47 themselves and by their efforts adding \$149.00 in special gifts. In all, \$1,325.03 actually sent for our own work and in reality raising a per capita of \$6.43. Besides this, special work has been done for Orphans' Home and local work. The Thank Offerings were unusual this year. Nashville, the smallest Auxiliary—only 8 members—paid their apportionment of \$56.00 in full and had a \$26.00 Thank Offering. Winnebago, with 34 members, paid on apportionment \$216.93 and gifts of \$51.00. Their Thank Offering was \$79.00. The Y. M. W. M. S., convening with the Delavan church, on June 19th, elected Mrs. Bertha Longfield of Champlin as President. It was with regret that the fact of the illness of the former President, Mrs. Frye of Winona, was received. And we trust that she may soon be restored to health. One hundred fifty-six members and 105 HELPERS are reported. The new Auxiliary at Delavan put on a splendid program at the Y. M. Session. The "Transition Problems" are ours in Minnesota. Possibly this Y. M. is the last of separate organization for F. B.'s in this state. But we hope and believe that the way will be made plain while we endeavor to "Do His Will."—INAH GATES STOUT, Secretary.

Michigan's report is one of statistics, as the Secretary, Mrs. Thompson, is very ill. It reads as follows:—President, Mrs. H. P. Stone, Battle Creek, Mich.; Secretary, Mrs. Grace Thompson, Bristol, Ind., R. R. I.; Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Austin, Coldwater, Mich.; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. Laura Fuller, Carson City; Secretary of Cradle Roll, Mrs. M. R. Rose, Flint, Mich.; Agent for HELPER, Mrs. Julia A. Reed, Onsted, Mich.; Number of Auxiliaries, 38; new Auxiliaries, 6; members, 564; amount raised by Auxiliaries, \$1,649.63; Thank Offering, \$221.78; number of Children's Societies, 4; members, 50; shares in Miss Barnes' salary, 6; Cradle Rolls, 5; members, 68; amount raised by C. R.,



\$13.35; copies of MISSIONARY HELPER taken, 266; Auxiliaries using HELPER program, 7; boxes sent to Harper's Ferry, etc., 6.

Our loved and devoted President, Mrs. Stone, though still confined to her chair and room and suffering continuously, has been indefatigable in her efforts to help the cause and awaken interest and action in others. The visits of Mrs. Inah Gates Stout have resulted in several new Auxiliaries and new zeal in some of the old, and we feel that with Dr. Mary's return to the field and our Ruth we shall be gleaners indeed if we but do our part here in Michigan.

Here we pause. Three post cards are on the Secretary's desk, the first from Iowa—"I can report no more than can be found in receipts published in HELPER. . . . you know how we are situated." \$136.00 has been received from Iowa and \$31.00 Thank Offering. The HELPER has 48 subscribers.

The next is from Rev. Wm. Tasker of N. Illinois, who writes of the interest in the local auxiliaries. Fourteen HELPERS are taken.

The last is from Mrs. N. L. Abbey of Kansas, "I cannot send an annual report. We have three Auxiliaries that are doing good work. Since Mr. Abbey's death, I have been unable to write or do any kind of work." Dear, faithful Sister Abbey! Receipts from Kansas, \$98.18; the Thank Offering, \$17.53.

Indiana's workers are now united with the Baptist forces, but \$50.00 has come to our treasury this year and 19 HELPERS are taken.

The report from our new members in the great Southwest is not yet in, but Brother Tatum writes that it is coming and fills his letter with his usual good cheer. \$54.67 has been received from Texas. We hope for greater results next year, that Mrs. Holder and Baby Doris may be loyally sustained in their work across the seas.

Wisconsin sent \$50.00 and has 15 HELPER subscribers.

Colorado, South Dakota, Montana and California have their loyal ones and from these several states \$163.50 have come to our treasury.

So we feel, as we gather up the fragments, that much would be lost were it not for these true and faithful members in the far away West.

May the greeting of the Iowa State President, Mrs. Thera B. True, to the Western Secretary, Numbers 6:24-26, be the sweet benediction we all shall hear as we step forth into the untried paths of another year.

ELIZABETH MOODY EVANS, Western Sec'y.

*Cambridge, Illinois.*

**Mrs. Hartley for the Cradle Roll of Little Light Bearers**

Another twelve months fraught with opportunities and possibilities has slipped into the past, and at this Annual Meeting we must pause to review the year and its work. We began the year with high ideals and plans for advancement. Some of these we have been able to carry out; if we have failed in others, we have at least tried and are the better for the trying. We have this to comfort us that our Cradle Roll work is only a very small part of a great world-movement for the betterment of children, and we have been able to help in some small degree to bring about that day when all the little ones of earth shall be blessed, because the knowledge of God has gone into all the earth. Everyone, who last year read or studied "The Child In The Midst" must have caught a vision, not only of the great need of the mothers and children of the non-Christian world, but of the wonderful transformation that is taking place in their conditions; wherever the love of Christ becomes the guiding principle of human hearts.

The Christian mothers of America and little ones in our homes can do much to aid in this transformation. If your Cradle Roll Secretary could say something that would make each of you resolve to go home and teach the children of your own church the lessons of thoughtfulness for others and a care for our own Brown Babies of far-away India, she would feel that we had made a long step forward.

The childish imagination will easily grasp the thought of the Fatherhood of God—the universal brotherhood and sisterhood of all, and the child love started in the right direction will leap far ahead of the adult mind in his care for the needy.

We were told, recently, that each one of us is a missionary, either for good or evil, whether we will or no. I'm sure you want to feel that your influence upon the children of your home and church is *for* the growth of the kingdom of God on earth—rather than against it. Will you think seriously, then, if there is not some way in which you can help in this work this year?

Year after year, we reiterate that Cradle Roll work is not difficult—that no other branch of church work gives such large returns for the amount of time and money expended. It may be that this is the work God meant you to do, in just the place where you are.

Literature, plans of work, and all Cradle Roll material will gladly be furnished by your Cradle Roll Secretary. A postal card will bring

you all the material and information necessary to organize or further the work of your Cradle Roll. Will you not gladden the heart of your Secretary by letting her hear from many of you?

We plead for the little children  
Who have opened their baby eyes  
In the far-off land of darkness,  
Where the shadow of death still lies.

Alas! for the idol worship  
Their stammering lips are taught  
And the precious gifts and offerings  
By their tiny fingers brought!

And what can the children offer  
Who dwell in this favored land?  
Is there no work for the master  
In reach of each little hand?

Oh! surely, a hundred tapers  
In the small white fingers' clasp,  
May lighten as much of darkness  
As a lamp in a stronger grasp.

And then, as the line is longer,  
The light of the tapers small  
May kindle a better shining  
Than the lamp might, after all.

So the lights shall be quicker kindled,  
And the darkness sooner shall flee;  
Many "little ones" hear of the Master,  
Who said, "Let them come unto Me."  
—(From *Woman's Work for Woman*.)

#### Financial Statement, Aug. 1, 1914 to Aug. 1, 1915

RECEIPTS.	EXPENSES.
Cash on hand, July 31, 1914 .....\$22.71	Postage .....\$ 4.06
Appropriation ..... 30.00	Dues ..... 17.10
HELPER Cut ..... 1.50	Supplies ..... 24.41
Dues ..... 19.35	HELPER Cut ..... 1.50
Supplies ..... 15.40	Cash on hand ..... 41.89
Total .....\$88.96	Total .....\$88.96

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. HARTLEY, C. R. Sec.

Rochester, N. H.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

MAY MALVERN, Auditor.

Peabody, Mass., Sept. 22, 1915.

#### HOME WORK OF F. B. W. M. S.

Storer College, Harper's Ferry, West Va.: Salaries, wholly or in part of eight teachers. Industrial Department (makes appropriation for). Special: Domestic Science Building (contributes toward).

New England Field Agent and Western Work.

Work at Barbados: Special: Head Teacher and assistant, also Secretary.



## REPORT OF WESTERN COMMITTEE

The itinerancy of Mrs. Inah Gates Stout, for the Woman's Missionary Society in Michigan, was most gratifying, to both the western committee and those with whom she worked.

Mrs. Stout traveled twenty-eight hundred miles, visited twenty churches, was in twenty-six meetings and organized six new auxiliaries.

Some of the things for which Mrs. Stout worked were: Realization of responsibility as individuals and auxiliaries, apportionments, remittances, membership campaign, HELPER, Missionary study and prayer.

Mrs. Stout has also done very acceptable work in her own state, Minnesota, the past year, and we feel that we are fortunate in securing her services.

MRS. CARRIE MILES, Chairman of Committee.

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF THE BUREAU OF MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE

In the course of the years there is a similarity in the work of the Bureau, while it differs somewhat in detail. The last year has seen a good interest in the interdenominational course of study. The text-book proved interesting and popular and was used by a large number of our societies. "The King's Highway," by Helen Barrett Montgomery, a study of present conditions in the foreign field, is offered by the Central Committee as the basis for our study for the next year. Among the helps that are considered indispensable for intelligent work are the annual report of your own woman's board, the magazine of your own society, selected leaflets, "How to Use the King's Highway," and a set of picture post cards.

For the Juniors the book is "Around the World with Jack and Janet," by Norma R. Waterbury, who was in the party with Mrs. Montgomery on her trip around the world. Helps in Junior work are a pamphlet of suggestions, round trip ticket, postal cards, "Our World Family," a story study book, and *Everyland*, which, beginning with December, will be a monthly magazine instead of a quarterly, the price of which will be \$1.00. *Everyland* promises to be as interesting, entertaining and instructive as ever.

*The Federation Bulletin* has been changed from two issues a year to a quarterly, with no advance in price. The Central Committee has issued

a Hymnal containing 100 best hymns, Scripture readings and prayers, arranged by Mrs. Hillis, and a Pageant of Peace, with mottoes, texts and poems.

Twenty-nine F. B. W. M. S. calendars have been sold during the year, Miss Moody taking twelve. The Bureau has on hand several copies of the "History of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society;" has sold two copies of the "History of the Bible;" has received subscriptions for the HELPER, and has acted as an intermediary in receiving suggestions for enlarging the work in various ways.

Besides its usual expenses the Bureau has paid for reprinting the pictures of Sinclair Orphanage, the Widows' Home, and of the Cradle Roll Superintendent; has paid for 1000 copies of our special Thank Offering exercise, 1500 copies of the leaflet, "How to Organize," and for the material for, and one dollar toward, the making of our beautiful banner and pennants, the initiation of whose acquisition by the Bureau is due to the effort of the editor of our HELPER, who, in turn, was aided by a number of our devoted workers.

The heart of the superintendent of your Bureau has been made glad by the publication of so many leaflets during the year. She wishes she might have many calls like one that came from a superintendent of an intermediate department of one of our Sunday schools. Systematic mission study had been instituted in her department and the children had been learning about Miss Amy Porter. One Sunday this superintendent told them she would give them each a picture of Miss Porter the next Sunday. Then she sent word to the Bureau, thinking there was an unlimited supply of the leaflet telling about Miss Porter, including her picture. The fact was there were less than twenty in the Bureau. But with the help of our editor and the printer, the pictures were delivered to the children on the appointed Sunday.

I would like to speak of the appreciation expressed to me by the president of the woman's society of the Churches of God, which celebrated the 25th anniversary of its organization at North Liberty, Iowa, in June, and used as the basis of the program our 25th Thank-Offering exercise. At the close of their session an offering was taken totalling \$400.

I would also say that this 25th Thank-Offering exercise can be adapted very easily to a missionary meeting that is not a 25th thank-offering service, and it is hoped that every auxiliary which has not used

it already, will use it for a program in the near future. There are copies on hand. Send for them.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT****RECEIPTS**

Cash on hand, July 1, 1914 .....	\$ 59.17
For Study Books and Gen. Misc. Lit. ....	\$ 158.93
Calendars .....	8.45
Interest .....	2.31
Everylands .....	4.00
Subscriptions to MISSIONARY HELPER .....	1.00
Two Copies, History of Bible .....	1.00
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	175.69
Total .....	<hr/>
	\$234.86

**EXPENDITURES**

Cash paid for Study Books, Leaflets, Twine, Wrapping Paper, etc. ....	\$114.85
Calendars .....	16.34
Postage on Books, Leaflets, etc. ....	27.69
Postage on Calendars .....	1.87
Everylands .....	4.00
Two Subscriptions to MISSIONARY HELPER .....	1.00
Two Copies History of the Bible .....	1.00
12 Copies History of F. B. W. M. S. ....	5.70
Express and Freight .....	3.57
Laundry .....	1.75
Printing Pictures for distribution .....	3.35
Printing 1,000 Exercise for Thank Offering .....	7.81
Printing 1,500 How to Organize .....	14.00
Cheese Cloth for one Saree .....	.45
Locks for chest .....	.30
Straps for Suit Case .....	.20
Material for and Making Banner and Pennants .....	4.00
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	\$207.88
Cash on hand, June 30, 1915 .....	26.98
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	\$234.86

AMELIA D. CHAPMAN, *Superintendent.*

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

NELLIE L. GIVEN.

Lewiston, Maine.

### REPORT OF PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

The Publication Committee held regular meetings in October, January, April and July. Three of these were held in Providence, while the mid-winter one was in Boston.

In the beginning of the year an effort was made to increase the subscription list of the MISSIONARY HELPER by a printed appeal which was widely circulated in the different states. This also appeared upon the pages of the magazine.

The preparation and publishing of a number of leaflets have engaged the attention of your committee. The first issued was a four-page folder containing the Constitution and By-Laws, as revised by the Society at its last annual meeting. This was in size and shape suitable to be inserted in the "Manual," of which there were in the Bureau about 200 copies.

Several of Miss Fenner's station letters were authorized printed, as it was felt that a more extensive circulation of these bright, breezy items direct from the field would be most welcome to the ladies. Another series of leaflets dealt with the native workers and children.

The most pretentious effort in the line of leaflets, and of permanent value, is the one along historical lines. This was authorized by the Board and as a matter of expediency, by personal request, referred to the Committee for publishing. Its contents are comprehensive, dating back to the first organization of Free Baptist women for missionary work in 1847, and has been brought up to the present time.

Other leaflets are in process of preparation.

A suggestion from Mrs. H. P. Stone in regard to united action looking toward providing a larger supply of missionary intelligence for the local auxiliaries was adopted. This, so-called, "Clearing House" plan in regard to leaflets, provided for a systematic printing and distribution of material fresh from the field with the purpose of furnishing up to date news to the different states.

CLARA A. LAW, Secretary Publication Committee.

*Providence, R. I.*

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THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS will be Friday, November 12. We earnestly urge all of our auxiliaries to observe this day of intercession. The Central Committee wisely asks that "we lay aside *everything* and meet together to seek God's blessing and guidance for ourselves, our nation, the missionary societies and the world at war."

## REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE MISSIONARY HELPER

It scarcely seems possible that THE MISSIONARY HELPER will be thirty-eight years old next January, or that the present editor has so nearly completed twenty years of service.

The first number of the magazine (January, 1878), was issued with this announcement: "It has been born with a positive conviction that the Master whom we serve wants just this work undertaken." Another editor, in her initial editorial, wrote, "We do not wish to *limit* our knowledge to that of our own work, but it is important that we be *especially familiar* with it, in order to give the most practical service and reap the best results;" and she called attention to the fact that the HELPER is a necessity in making possible such familiarity and producing such results.

These early statements regarding the call and need of an organ of expression are no less true today, although conditions have radically changed, making the publishing and editing of our magazine more complicated.

However, this has been a blessed year of service in HELPER work. There are hosts of larger families of readers; but not one, we are sure, more loyal or appreciative. Many letters have been received wishing long life to the HELPER. Whatever the future may hold, we must strive heartily, prayerfully, systematically, the coming year, to make our magazine better and more extensively useful. How can this be accomplished? By the vital interest and prayers of all members of the HELPER family; by being swift to send important or attractive items of news—not long reports—to the editor; by unfailingly calling her attention to any possible errors or omissions; by each endeavoring to obtain at least one new subscriber; by contributions to the Sustaining and Illustration Funds; by having the HELPER represented at public meetings wherever possible, and talking it up in private; by the prompt action of local agents in soliciting renewals and new subscribers and as promptly forwarding the lists to Miss Mosher; by appointing the right kind of an agent in each auxiliary—one who is tactful as well as zealous; finally, by a special, concerted, carefully prepared campaign in the month of October, when every woman in the parish shall be invited to subscribe for our magazine. [The suggested details of this campaign were printed in the October number].

The HELPER has been advertised several months in *Zion's Advocate*,



through the courtesy of its editor, and a combination offer of the *Advocate* and the HELPER—one year for \$2.00—was made in the April number of this magazine. Sample copies of the HELPER have been placed in the hotels and other public buildings at Ocean Park; on the Literature Table at the New England Baptist Convention; the Young People's Missionary Conference and at this meeting. We surely need not hesitate to offer our magazine to our people, if the words of commendation in the recently published "Life of the Rev. Benjamin Randall" be true. The author says: "Since 1878 it [the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society] has published one of the neatest, sweetest and ablest missionary magazines in our country, THE MISSIONARY HELPER." But *our* claim is based solely upon its significance to the work we are trying to do.

The Thank Offering Exercise which appeared in April was very widely used and approved. Many workers put much time and thought into its preparation and the results amply repaid them. The "Quiz" has proved to be a splendid "first aid to the ignorant" and has become quite a feature of the monthly meetings. Our Missionaries at home and abroad, have cheerfully coöperated in making the department "From the Field" interesting and helpful. The contagiously enthusiastic letters from our young missionaries have been eagerly welcomed.

But the greatest attraction of all has been the letters from India of our Corresponding Secretary, who has told us in a most happy manner, just what we want to know about many things in which we have vital interest. The editor's one anxiety was that Miss Fenner's glorification of missionary life might tend to depopulate America! The situation is saved by the limited circulation of the HELPER!

In this connection it is fitting to call attention to the many suggestive photographs, brought home by Miss Fenner, which may be reproduced in the HELPER, so far as that blessed Illustration Fund will permit. We hope that this fact will inspire us to contribute to it generously.

"What should we do without the MISSIONARY HELPER?" Several representatives of Storer College have recently asked this question. It is true that our "Storer Number" was of educational value to the auxiliaries and brought financial returns to the college. We again urge that you keep your file of HELPERS. They will be increasingly useful for reference when you wish to find facts about Storer College on the Bengal-Orissa Field. If properly conducted, that "Quiz Contest and Social,"

suggested for September, may be extremely fruitful in information and fun.

Another way in which we can help the work and the magazine is to use and advertise those picture post cards (sold at three for five cents, in the interest of the HELPER Illustration Fund). These cards, representing various scenes and phases of work in our India Field, may be profitably used by auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, Mission Bands, Cradle Rolls and individuals.

It was decided, by one of our missionaries on furlough, that the HELPER Sanctum was not sufficiently up to date. As a result of her efforts, aided and abetted by many of you, a telephone was installed. Much work has been done across its wires. You have heard of the Egyptian memory bell whose ring reminds one of the friend who gave it. The telephone bell reminds the editor of fellow-workers, East and West, whom she cannot "call up" individually, but to whom she returns heartfelt thanks for this evidence of their thoughtfulness.

Our magazine is a part of the missionary education for which it is an ardent advocate. The general topic of mission study of the united missionary organizations is "The Church and the Nation," with the watchword, "Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will Be Done." The delightful guide on the wonderful pilgrim road which we women are to travel together this year, is "The King's Highway." It would be a beautiful thing if Miss Fenner could tell, at many large gatherings *her* story of this same highway around the world, which she traveled, as well as the author of our text-book. In preparing auxiliary programs, we find no better aid than that little pamphlet, "How to Use," furnished by Mrs. Chapman.

THE MISSIONARY HELPER has never had a more loving, loyal or generous friend than our beloved Mrs. Cousins, who wrote, since her illness, "We must not give up our dear HELPER." Because of the enforced inactivity of this comrade, a letter, received recently from one of our young women, is especially significant. She wrote to call attention to some who are just entering the ranks. "I wanted you to know this," she writes, "because I've felt your sorrow over dear Mrs. Cousins and the other tried and true who are dropping out of the active working list. They may be removed from the firing line, but there is somewhere a young woman ready to step into every breach. 'Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.'"

In closing, the editor wishes to invite you to join a Prayer League

which is enlisting those who agree to regularly and faithfully pray for certain specified objects, persons or needs, to be announced in the HELPER. As one has truly said, "The greatest thing I can do is to greatly pray."

NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB.

*Ocean Park, Maine.*

### STATEMENT OF HELPER ILLUSTRATION FUND

For the year closing August 1, 1915.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1914 .....\$18.68	To Half-tones and Postage on
By Personal Contributions ..... 22.50	Half-tones .....\$35.36
By Sale of Picture Post Cards .. 7.36	To Printing of 1500 Post Cards.. 7.75
	To Postage on Cards ..... .34
	To Photographs for Cuts ..... .35
	Total Expenditures .....\$43.80
	Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1915 .. 4.74
Total Receipts .....\$48.54	Accounted for .....\$48.54

NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB, *Editor.*

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

MAY MALVERN, Auditor.

*Ocean Park, Me., July 30, 1915.*

### PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HELPER ILLUSTRATION FUND

1914-1915.

Mrs. R. M. F. Buzzell, \$1.50; Mrs. I. L. Remick, \$3.00; Miss E. R. Porter, \$1.50; Mrs. M. R. Wade (In Memoriam), \$1.50; Mrs. N. W. Whitcomb, \$1.50; Mrs. Alice M. Metcalf, \$1.50; Mrs. Alma Cousins, \$1.00; Hills' Home & For. Miss. Soc., Dover, N. H., \$1.50; Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, \$2.00; Storer College, \$1.00; Mrs. Hartley for C. R. Cut, \$1.50; Mrs. O. W. Fullam, \$2.00; Main St. Aux., Lewiston, Me., \$3.00; Total, \$22.50.

## GENERAL SUBSCRIPTION AGENT'S NOTES

Our Agent's report, and several other matters referred to a committee, have not been returned to the editor in season to appear in this number. The following notes are taken from a communication sent by Miss Mosher to Annual Meeting.—Editor.

I wish I could be with you and hear what is said and be able to answer questions myself. I believe that a definite fund, be it a contributed "Sustaining Fund," an appropriated sum, or the income of an endowment, is essential to the welfare of our HELPER. We know it is a *worthy magazine*, representing a *worthy cause*, and worthy of a big existence.

Our mailing list is remarkable in at least two respects; one is the extent to which the subscriptions are paid in advance, and the other is the loyalty and affection in which the HELPER is held by the subscribers, especially those whose names have been longest on the list. It is pathetic to read the letters of some of these subscribers who must ask to have their names dropped because their old eyes have become too dim to read the pages that have been so dear to them.

Again I urge that local agents exert their best endeavors both to hold their present list of subscribers and to increase it; also to increase the Sustaining Fund as much as possible, and to keep the need of an endowment for the HELPER prominently before the minds of our patrons. There is an annual income of \$25.00 from the Porter Memorial Fund. Why may not we hope that the HELPER will be made the beneficiary of other funds?

Cordially yours,

A. M. MOSHER.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HELPER SUSTAINING FUND

1914-1915.

Mabel J. Gooding, \$1.00; New Durham Q. M., \$10.00; Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, \$3.00; Miss Sarah Niles, \$ .50; Miss Gertrude Hartley, \$5.00; Mrs. A. M. Cousins, \$3.00; Miss Lizzie Moody, \$5.00; Portland W. M. S. \$3.00; Boston W. M. S., \$3.00; Lisbon Falls W. M. S., \$1.00; Mrs. M. S. Waterman, \$5.00; Mrs. Lydia Wallace, \$5.00; Pascoag W. M. S., \$2.00; Mrs. E. L. Davis, \$3.00; Haverhill W. M. S., \$6.00; Paige St. Church, Lowell, W. M. S., \$10.00; Mrs. Mary R. Chase, \$1.00; Mrs. O.

W. Fullam, \$3.00; Mrs. Mary R. Wade (In mem.), \$3.00; Mrs. N. W. Whitcomb, \$3.00; Total, \$75.50.

A. M. MOSHER, Agent.

Contributions to this fund may be sent through the usual channels, to Miss E. R. Porter, Mass., Treasurer, 47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass. Credits will be given in her monthly receipts in this magazine.

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### PEACE! PEACE!

"The Iron Cross," a prize Peace story, wonderfully dramatic, by James Church Alvord; booklet 10c, postage 2c; a good Christmas booklet.

Use Peace Stamps on your correspondence; only 10c per 100.

Give the Pageant of "Peace and War"; costumes easily made at home. One copy 25c, six for \$1; programs \$1 per 100.

Peace Mottoes, Poems, etc., set of 14 for 10c and 2c postage.

"A Woman's Prayer for Peace," size to slip into envelopes; 1c each, 10c per dozen.

The Federation Bulletin gives the latest news of the Christian Women's Peace Movement Quarterly; 25c per year.

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### TREASURER'S NOTE

Our F. B. W. M. S. foreign mission gifts are understood to be for the work of the Bengal-Orissa Field, India, this being the work which still is ours to help provide for according to the "Contract" between A. B. F. M. S. and F. B. W. M. S.

In sending gifts, to insure proper crediting, they should be carefully specified as being for the work of *Bengal-Orissa, India*, and where credit on church apportionment is desired, this also, should be stated.

EDYTH R. PORTER.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

Edyth R. Porter, Treasurer, in account with Free Baptist Woman's  
Missionary Society for year closing June 30, 1915.

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand July 1, 1914 .....	\$ 5,028.44
Letter Contributions, which include gifts for	
Permanent Fund .....	\$ 2,182.50
Outfit and Passage Fund .....	611.00
Specials, India .....	89.00
Specials, Storer, .....	167.40
Barbadoes .....	11.90
HELPER .....	41.00
Literature .....	4.43
T. O. Postage .....	1.45
No. Bapt. Convention .....	20.00
Balance Gifts .....	8,939.58
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	\$12,068.26
Warren National Bank Int. ....	54.75
Temporary Loan .....	300.00
HELPER Subs. ....	4.50
Pub. Com. for Literature .....	15.00
Gift for Literature .....	5.23
Gift for Mrs. Burkholder .....	5.00
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Total Receipts .....	\$12,452.74
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	\$17,481.18
Total to account for .....	\$17,481.18

## DISBURSEMENTS

Cash Salaries in India .....	\$ 3,900.00
Gifts Sinclair Or., Native Workers, Bible Wom., etc.,	2,654.00
Special, inc. Passage \$1,400.00; and Bal. Sch. Bldg.,	
\$123.00 .....	1,812.00
Use No. Baptist Convention .....	20.00
Salaries and Ind. Dpt. Storer .....	1,475.00
Specials, Storer .....	217.40
Western Work: 1913-14, \$41.06; 1914-15, \$35.85 .....	76.91
Barbadoes .....	216.93
Salary Treasurer .....	200.00
Mrs. Chapman .....	75.00
Asst. Treasurer .....	50.01
Postage .....	69.71

## THE MISSIONARY HELPER.

Printing: Streeter Press, \$76.60; Peabody Press, \$54.25;	
Constitution & By-laws, \$6.50 .....	137.35
Annual Meeting Exp. ....	42.00
Invested Funds .....	2,182.50
Misc., incl. Cradle Roll, etc. ....	94.26
HELPER Shares .....	\$ 6.00
Gifts .....	35.00
Loan .....	268.73
Printing Annual Report .....	125.00
Advertising .....	60.00
Porter Mem'l .....	25.00
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Porter Mem'l Pub. Com. ....	25.00
HELPER Subs. forwarded .....	4.50
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Total Disbursements .....	\$13,772.30
On hand, June 30, 1915 .....	3,708.88
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Accounted for .....	\$17,481.18

EDYTH R. PORTER, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

HARRIET A. DEERING, *Auditor.*

### APPROPRIATIONS, 1915-1916

Salaries in India ( <i>in full</i> ): Miss L. C. Coombs, Dr. M. Bachelor, Miss S. B. Gowen, Miss E. E. Barnes, Miss E. M. Butts, Mrs. I. M. Holder, Miss A. Porter, Miss R. Daniels .....	\$ 4,000.00
Hindu Schools at Midnapore .....	\$360.00
Zenana Teachers, Midnapore .....	215.00
Bible Women .....	136.00
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Hindu Schools at Balasore .....	168.00
Zenana Teachers at Balasore .....	264.00
Bible Women at Balasore .....	76.00
Kind. Work at Balasore .....	267.00
Sinclair Orphanage .....	900.00
Widows' Home .....	100.00
Teachers and Bible Women, Jellasore .....	50.00
Teachers and Bible Women, Santipore .....	75.00
Outfit and Passage, Miss L. C. Coombs, Miss E. E. Barnes, (a sum sufficient to cover).	
Barbados, conditional upon receipt of quarterly reports .....	200.00

## THE MISSIONARY HELPER

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## Salaries at Storer, Cristy Fund:

Rev. J. C. Newcomer .....	475.00	
Mrs. E. M. McDonald .....	400.00	
Miss M. Brady .....	350.00	
Miss M. Smith .....	375.00	
	<u>1,600.00</u>	
Teacher in place Miss M. E. Peyton .....	325.00	
Miss M. Young .....	300.00	
Miss E. Sims .....	375.00	
Mrs. E. C. Jenness .....	50.00	
Industrial Department .....	425.00	
	<u>1,475.00</u>	

## MISCELLANEOUS

Western Field Work .....	100.00	
Eastern Field Work .....	100.00	
Salary Treasurer .....	300.00	
Superintendent Bureau Missionary Intelligence .....	75.00	
Free Literature .....	50.00	
Cradle Roll .....	30.00	
Thank Offering .....	40.00	
Adv. HELPER .....	60.00	
Incidental Fund, Inc. Salary Asst. Treasurer .....	125.00	
Storer, Water Supply .....	200.00	
Expenses Annual Meeting .....		
Printing Leaflets .....	50.00	
	<u>1,130.00</u>	
		\$11,016.00
HELPER Loan .....	500.00	
Sinclair Orphanage Dormitory .....	500.00	
	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$12,016.00

MISS L. A. DEMERITTE,  
 MRS. O. W. FULLAM,  
 EDYTH R. PORTER, *Treasurer.*

Mrs. Clara A. Ricker reported that the 25th anniversary of our Thank Offering service was very widely observed. The offering was \$1,472.29, the largest in the history of this service, \$272.84 larger than last year. Beautiful invitations in blue and gold were sent out. An appropriate program, including an exercise, with costumes, "What the Thank Offering Means to Us," was given in many churches.

## PERMANENT FUND REPORT

Edyth R. Porter, Treasurer, in account with F. B. W. M. Society  
for its Permanent Fund from July 1, 1914, to June 30, 1915.

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, July 1, 1914 .....	\$	33.69
Permanent Funds for Re-investment.....	\$	800.00
Bequests .....		1,682.50
Clynick Gift, interest to be used for support of orphans in India .....		500.00
Income Cristy Fund .....		1,841.47
Income General Funds .....		155.95
Income Special Funds .....		748.46
Income Brewster Scholarship .....		40.54
Accrued Int. ....		8.41
	\$	5,777.33
Old Colony Stk., Cristy Est. ....		2,300.00
Gift Miss Butts, India .....		300.00
		<u>8,377.33</u>
Total to be accounted for .....		\$8,411.02

## DISBURSEMENTS

Cash Int. to Letter Receipts .....	\$	748.46
Cristy Fund Int. to Storer .....		1,600.00
Brewster Scholarship .....		40.00
Cash Salary Treasurer .....		100.00
Care Funds .....		133.78
Re-invested .....		405.00
Temporary Loan (Re-In. \$100.00) .....		600.00
Cristy Est. Executrix .....		4.43
Miss Butts' Gift to Savings Bank .....		300.00
Credit Invested Gift, Cristy Est. ....		2,300.00
		<u>\$6,231.67</u>
Total Disbursements .....		\$6,231.67
On hand, June 30, 1915 .....		<u>2,179.35</u>
Total Accounted for .....		\$8,411.02

## STATEMENT OF INVESTED FUNDS

Municipal Bonds .....	\$	5,430.00
R. R. Bonds .....		12,715.00
R. R. Stock .....		8,100.00

Corporation Bonds .....	9,000.00
Savings Bank and Trust Companies .....	3,754.75
Mortgages .....	12,750.00
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	\$51,749.75

EDYTH R. PORTER, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast, and well vouched, and securities as stated by the Treasurer.

HARRIET A. DEERING, *Auditor.*

## STATE APPORTIONM'TS, 1915-16

Maine .....	\$ 2,300.00
New Hampshire .....	2,000.00
Vermont .....	300.00
Massachusetts .....	600.00
Rhode Island .....	1,200.00
New York .....	300.00
Pennsylvania .....	150.00
Indiana .....	50.00
Illinois .....	50.00
Michigan .....	1,600.00
Wisconsin .....	100.00
Minnesota .....	800.00
Iowa .....	250.00
Kansas .....	100.00
Nebraska .....	50.00
South Dakota .....	50.00
Texas .....	310.00
California .....	50.00
Province Quebec .....	50.00

## THANK OFFERINGS, 1914-15

Maine .....	\$ 495.43
New Hampshire .....	302.35
Vermont .....	5.00
Massachusetts .....	128.42
Rhode Island, inc. Connecticut	201.28
New York .....	2.00
Michigan .....	221.78
Minnesota .....	61.50
Kansas .....	17.53
Iowa .....	31.00
Colorado .....	5.00
California .....	1.00

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\$1,472.29

## STATE TOTALS, 1914-15

Maine .....	\$ 3,082.08
New Hampshire .....	2,485.91
Vermont .....	195.38
Massachusetts .....	416.23
Rhode Island .....	972.78
Connecticut .....	25.00
New York .....	194.16
Pennsylvania .....	117.46
Virginia .....	2.00
West Virginia .....	48.00
District of Columbia .....	5.00
Ohio .....	8.00
Indiana .....	50.00
Michigan .....	1,649.63
Wisconsin .....	50.00
Minnesota .....	1,325.03
Iowa .....	136.00
Texas .....	154.67
Kansas .....	98.18
Colorado .....	5.00
South Dakota .....	4.00
Montana .....	20.00
California .....	134.50
Nova Scotia .....	25.00
Scotland .....	9.74
Misc. ....	854.51

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# Contributions

## F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for September, 1915

MAINE	
Bath, Mrs E T Marston, C F . . . . .	\$ 5 00
Lisbon Falls F B Ladies' Miss Soc'y for Miss Coombs . . . . .	9 00
Mars Hill & Blaine Aux, sal'y Miss A Porter . . . . .	24 00
Ocean Park, Mrs M A Davis, Toilers-by-the-Sea . . . . .	2 00
Sabattus, S L B Amber Alberta Smith . . . . .	25
West Paris F B Ch Ladies for support of Betsey at Midnapore . . . . .	1 50
NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Farmington, Mrs D A Gammon for C F Nute Chapel Inasmuch Society for Dom Sci Bldg Storer . . . . .	5 00
Jackson W M S, F M . . . . .	2 00
Whitefield F B W M Soc'y, Share Storer College . . . . .	4 00
10 00	
VERMONT	
East Williamstown, Miss Amy Porter's salary . . . . .	1 00
Enosburg Falls F B W M S, Miss Amy Porter's salary on apportionment . . . . .	11 00
Sutton Church, Miss Porter's sal'y . . . . .	10 00
West Corinth Ch, Miss Porter's sal'y . . . . .	4 00
MASSACHUSETTS	
Peabody Friend, HELPER Shares . . . . .	3 00
Somerville, Mrs Erskine in memory of Rev Justus Erskine, "for Storer's greatest need" . . . . .	33 00
Stoneham, Mrs Ellen T Palmeter, W M S dues . . . . .	1 00
Wilmington, C R, daughter Dr and Mrs C F Dodge . . . . .	2 00
RHODE ISLAND	
Providence, Trinity Bapt S S Class for Promodini in S O . . . . .	5 00
Tiverton Stone Ch S S for Betty in S O . . . . .	6 25
NEW YORK	
Buffalo Friendly Workers for Nitya at Midnapore . . . . .	12 50
Leonta, Mrs A M Powers, F M . . . . .	2 00
West Oneonta, F B W M S for Minnie Ghose at Midnapore . . . . .	25 00
PENNSYLVANIA	
Pittsburg, Mrs Mary A Davis for Dr Bachelor . . . . .	10 00
Do do Gen'l work \$7: C R Christine May Davis \$1 . . . . .	
8 00	
OHIO	
Grand Prairie W M S for support native worker (year ending June 1915) . . . . .	25 00
ILLINOIS	
Illinois Yearly Meeting for F M . . . . .	400 00
MICHIGAN	
Algansee Aux, Dr B \$2.10; Storer 1.40 . . . . .	3 50
Batavia Aux, Dr B 4.00; Storer 2.75 . . . . .	6 75
E Rome Aux for Saragani . . . . .	25 00
Flint River, Ch, Dr B \$3; Storer 2.28 . . . . .	5 28
Aid Soc'y, Dr B 3.00; Storer 2.00 . . . . .	5 00
Genesee Q M, Dr B 2.40; Storer 1.60 . . . . .	4 00
Gobleville Aux, Dr B 9.60; Storer 2.40 . . . . .	12 00
Kingston Jr Miss Band for Miss Barnes	4 00
Litchfield Aux, Dr B, H M, Sto, \$1 each	3 00
Mason Aux, Dr B \$4.25; T O for Miss Barnes 22.60 . . . . .	26 25
Onsted, Mrs Julia Reed for Miss R Daniels . . . . .	25 00
W Cannon Ch, Dr B . . . . .	3 45
W Oshemo Aux, Dr B 3 60; Storer 2.40 . . . . .	6 00
Do F B S S for support Miriam Curtis	6 25
MINNESOTA	
Huntley W M S on appor 1915 . . . . .	35 00
Verona Miss Soc'y for F M . . . . .	20 00
(L M Mrs Bertha Domer, Blue Earth, Minn)	
Winnebago F B Pri Dpt S S, Miss Barnes	3 00
IOWA	
Fairbank Aux, Miss A Porter's sal'y . . . . .	14 00
TEXAS	
Bryan, F B Ch, Mrs Holder's sal'y . . . . .	7 25
Mr and Mrs J L Edge, support "Little Doris" . . . . .	15 00
Mr M S Edge and family, Do . . . . .	15 00
MISCELLANEOUS	
Clymik Fund Int for Sarada, T O . . . . .	25 00
Income for Gen'l Work . . . . .	7 73
Total Receipts, September 1915 . . . . .	\$898 96
EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer 47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass. Per May Malvern, Assistant Treasurer	

## FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath the sum of—to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine.

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